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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed January 28, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claims 19 and 36 as follows:

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~~19. (Amended) An anchor for insertion into a bone hole to secure a suture to bone, comprising:
a rigid body defining a generally transverse, circumferentially bounded opening extending through said body for receiving the suture,
said body having a non-helically extending exterior enlargement for engaging the bone upon insertion to resist withdrawal of said anchor from the bone.~~

~~36. (Amended) An anchor for insertion into a bone hole to secure a suture to bone, comprising:
a body having a cylindrical exterior surface, said body defining a single, circumferentially bounded opening for receiving the suture, and
a non-helical circumferential ridge extending from the cylindrical exterior surface of said body for engaging the bone upon insertion to resist withdrawal of said anchor from the bone.~~

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Please add new claims 94-101 as follows:

~~94. An anchor for insertion into a bone hole to secure a suture to bone, comprising:~~

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